

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Claude Mathieu *et al.* Confirmation No.: 6834  
Application No.: 10/784,046 Art Unit: 3738  
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For: INTERSPINAL PROSTHESIS

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated January 15, 2008, the Advisory Action dated March 24, 2008, and the Examiner Interview dated April 8, 2008, Applicants respectfully submit the following revisions and remarks:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this response

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this response

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this response

***THE EXAMINER IS THANKED FOR THE COURTESY EXTENDED DURING THE EXAMINER  
INTERVIEW HELD ON APRIL 8, 2008. PER OUR DISCUSSION, INDEPENDENT CLAIM 60  
HAS BEEN AMENDED TO OVERCOME THE PENDING REJECTIONS.***